House District 6 Representative

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PLACE OF BIRTH: Fairbanks, AK

SPOUSE'S NAME: Sarah

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OCCUPATION: Commercial Fisherman

LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA: 46 years

ALASKAN COMMUNITIES LIVED IN:

Nenana 1976-1978 Homer 1978-Present

EDUCATION:

Homer High School 1994 Community College and University Courses United States Coast Guard 100 Ton Masters and Able Seaman training

POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:

Committee staff, Alaska State Legislature 2005 - 2014: Alaska House of Representatives Special Committee on Fisheries, House Resources Committee, House State Affairs Committee, House Education Committee

BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:

Captain/Owner Bristol Bay drift gillnet boat/permit, Crewmember commercial halibut, scallop, crab, and cod fisheries, Staff Alaska State Legislature, Government Affairs Director non-profit organization

SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS MEMBERSHIPS:

Homer Electric Association Board of Directors, Kachemak Bay Campus Community Advisory Board, Bristol Bay Fisherman's Association member, Bristol Bay Regional Seafood Development Association member, North Pacific Fisheries Association member, Kachemak Ski Club volunteer, Ducks Unlimited member

SPECIAL INTERESTS:

skiing, boating, snow machining, fishing, cooking

STATEMENT:

I am running for the State House because I believe the youth of Alaska deserve to inherit the state envisioned by the elders of Alaska: a thriving one bolstered by a strong and growing Permanent Fund.

The Alaska State Legislature has a crucial role in bringing economic stability to Alaska. Construction projects flowing from a robust capital budget employ thousands of workers. Laws that provide incentives for certain economic activities can and should drive all kinds of innovation in many different fields from energy production to local manufacturing.

I don't believe that government alone can solve our problems. Crime, homelessness, addiction, child abuse - these are "all hands-on deck" issues that demand a broad coalition. Faith communities, civic organizations, Native corporations, Tribes, local government and state government working together can create lasting solutions. I believe that Alaskans can do anything we set out to do, and do it with ingenuity, independence, and integrity.

We shouldn't spin our wheels on issues that divide when there is so much potential ahead for us as an energy and fish rich state. We have Roads, Ports, Hydroelectric projects, Schools, Bridges, Energy production and more to get to work on.

If elected I will focus on your local needs, growing your Permanent Fund and protecting our communities and precious salmon runs. I appreciate that you have taken the time to research candidates and would be honored by your vote.

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